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**441—93.144(239B) PROMISE JOBS grievance procedure.** The PROMISE JOBS program shall provide a grievance procedure to address and resolve public complaints regarding the displacement of regular workers with program participants.

- **93.144(1)** The procedure will provide that:
- *a.* Complaints must be filed in writing and received by the PROMISE JOBS contractee within one year of the alleged violation.
- b. A representative of the PROMISE JOBS contractee must schedule a face-to-face interview with the complainant within seven days of the date the complaint is filed, to provide the opportunity for informal resolution of the complaint.
  - c. Written notice of the location, date and time of the face-to-face interview must be provided.
  - d. An opportunity must be provided to present evidence at the face-to-face interview.
- *e*. The representative of the PROMISE JOBS contractee shall issue a decision in writing within 14 days of the date a complaint is filed.
- f. A written explanation must be provided to all involved parties of the right to file a written appeal, according to 441—Chapter 7, if the opportunity for informal resolution is declined, if a party receives an adverse decision from the PROMISE JOBS contractee, or if there is no decision within the 14-day period.
- (1) To be considered, an appeal must be filed with the department within ten days of the mailing date of the adverse decision or ten days from the date on which a decision should have been mailed.
- (2) An appeal hearing will not be granted until informal resolution procedures have been exhausted, unless a decision has not been issued within 24 days of the complaint filing date.
- **93.144(2)** The department shall issue a final decision within 90 days of the date the complaint was filed with the PROMISE JOBS contractee.
- **93.144(3)** Any dissatisfied party shall be informed of the right to appeal the decision of the department to the Secretary of Labor at Office of Administrative Law Judges, U.S. Department of Labor, Vanguard Building, Room 600, 111 20th Street N.W., Washington, DC 20036, within 20 days of the receipt of the department's final decision. For the purposes of this rule, the department's final decision shall be considered received the second day after the date that the written decision was mailed, unless the intended recipient can demonstrate that it was not received on the second day after the mailing date. When the second day falls on a Sunday or legal holiday, the time shall be extended to the next mail delivery date. The option to appeal to the Secretary of Labor does not preclude an individual from exercising any right to judicial review as provided in Iowa Code chapter 17A or as described in 441—Chapter 7.
- **93.144(4)** Upon notice of a complaint or grievance, the PROMISE JOBS office must provide the complaining party with a copy of the grievance procedures, notification of the right to file a formal complaint and instruction on how to file a complaint.
- **93.144(5)** Upon filing a complaint, and at each stage thereafter, each complainant must be notified in writing of the next step in the complaint procedure.
- **93.144(6)** The identity of any person who has furnished information relating to, or assisting in, an investigation of a possible violation must be kept confidential to the extent possible, consistent with due process and a fair determination of the issues.
- **93.144(7)** All employers who participate in the PROMISE JOBS program shall provide assurances that all regular employees are aware of this grievance procedure.